## **BROADCAST DMAS-5**

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SUBJECT: Change in Residency and SSN Requirements for Certain Non-Citizens

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Acronyms used in the broadcast:

DMAS – Department of Medical Assistance Services FAMIS – Family Access to Medical Insurance Security LDSS – Local departments of social services SSN – Social Security number TN - Transmittal

The purpose of this broadcast is to alert LDSS and Cover Virginia staff to changes in two of the Medicaid and FAMIS nonfinancial eligibility requirements for certain non-citizens. These changes are effective immediately for all pending and future applications and renewals.

## Virginia Residency

For individuals who have been admitted into the U.S. on non-immigrant visas and other non-immigrants, accept the declaration of Virginia residency on the application as verification of residency. Do **NOT** require the individual to sign a statement of intended residency. The policies in M0220.500 and M0230.001 of the Medical Assistance Eligibility Manual will be revised in TN #DMAS-2.

## <u>SSN</u>

In addition to individuals who are not eligible to receive an SSN (i.e. undocumented aliens), any non-citizen who is only eligible to receive an SSN for a valid non-work reason is **NOT** required to apply for an SSN. The individuals include, but are not limited to, non-citizens admitted to the U.S. on non-immigrant visas and individuals who do not intend to work in the U.S. and would only have needed an SSN for the purposes of receiving public assistance. The policies in M0220.500 and M0240.001 will be revised in TN #DMAS-2.

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